

OUR STEWARDSHIP ... March 8, 2020

Church Membership.....307 Budget.....550,000.00
 Morning Worship.....174 Needed..... 105,769.00
 Early Worship 28 Offering Sunday.... 7,848.55
 Contemporary Worship42 To Date.....100,807.95
 Morning Worship Total ... 244 Under Budget..... (4,961.05)
 Sunday School..... 84
 Bible Study.....35

CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Read Your Bible Daily

Wednesday, March 11 Deuteronomy 13-15; Mark 12:28-44

7:00 a.m. Emmaus Men's Prayer Group
 12:00 noon Pray for our Church
 6:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study: Proverbs
 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, March 12 Deuteronomy 16-18; Mark 13:1-20

9:00 a.m. Wesley Study Group

Friday, March 13 Deuteronomy 19-21; Mark 13:21-37

Saturday, March 14 Deuteronomy 22-24; Mark 14:1-26

Sunday, March 15 Deuteronomy 25-27; Mark 14:27-53

7:45 a.m. Praise Band Practice
 8:45 a.m. Early Worship
 Contemporary Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 5:00 p.m. Handbells
 Discipleship Groups
 6:00 p.m. Evening Bible Study: Luke

Monday, March 16 Deuteronomy 28-29; Mark 14:54-72

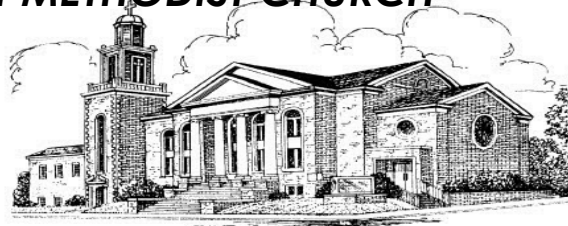
Tuesday, March 17 Deuteronomy 30-31; Mark 15:1-25

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

7:00 a.m. Youth: Morning Glory
 10:30 a.m. Backpacks of Hope: Whitehall
 1:00 p.m. Bridge Club

Louisville

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH



“The Church in the Heart of the City
With Christ’s Mission at Heart”

SERVING Sunday, March 15, 2020

Ushers and Greeters: Youth

Altar Guild: Rhee Hankins and Debra Childs

Acolytes/Crossbearer: Reed Yates, Luke Yates, Mary Flynn Yates

Lay Reader: Samantha Dickerson

Children’s Time: Melanie Yates

Children’s Supper:

Youth Supper:

Wednesday Night Servers March 18: YANSY Class

Live broadcast of the Morning Worship can be seen every Sunday on Channel 18 at 11:00 a.m. **Rebroadcast** of this service can be seen every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. on Channel 18 and heard at 6:00 p.m. every Sunday on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.

You can listen to the delayed broadcast of the previous Sunday's **Contemporary Service** each Sunday at 12:00 noon on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.

You can watch the **Live streaming** of the 11 a.m. service at **Louisville First Methodist Church** on Facebook.

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*It is your responsibility to notify the office of schedule changes.
Monday noon is the deadline to get something in the newsletter.*

GOOD ST. PATRICK

On March 17, many churches, especially those with a large Irish population, will celebrate the life of St. Patrick. He grew up in a Christian home in Britain, but wasn't very religious until a major event changed his life. As a teen, he was captured and sold into slavery in Ireland, but escaped to Gaul (France) after six years. The years of enslavement strengthened his faith. He later wrote, "In that strange land [Ireland], the Lord opened my unbelieving eyes." He was led by God's voice to return to Ireland where he converted people to Christianity tribe by tribe.

Because Ireland is called the Emerald Isle, those who celebrate St. Patrick's Day will wear something green. Some Christians will even color food or drink green. Many Christians will also eat corned beef and cabbage and decorate tables with shamrocks. Shamrocks are actually three-leaf (not four-leaf) clover plants. Legend has it that St. Patrick used the three leaves to teach about the Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

AN IRISH BLESSING

May you have
walls to keep out the wind,
a roof to keep out the rain,
warm drinks by the fire,
laughter to cheer you,
those you love near you,
and all that your heart may desire,
including the love of God within.

QUIET PLEASE

A Sunday School teacher was preparing the children for a few minutes of appearance during a worship service. "Now," she said, after a bit of instruction, "why should we be quiet when we go into the sanctuary?"

"Because," answered a perceptive lad, "people will be sleeping."

WEDDINGS

- Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. Drew Smith** who were united in marriage in our sanctuary this past Saturday, March 7. Drew and Corrin make their home at 162 Metts Street in Louisville.
- Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. Matt Snow** who were united in marriage in the Chapel of Memories on the MSU campus this past Saturday. Matt and Hannah make their home in Starkville.

SPRING BREAK

Children and Youth will not meet tonight, Wednesday, March 11, because of Spring Break. No Wednesday Supper will be served tonight Wednesday either.

WESLEY STUDY

The Wesley Bible Study meets Thursday, March 12, at 9:00 a.m. in CLC 205.

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

Night to Remember is scheduled for March 29th. Tickets are on sale for \$10 each. Join us for this great night of fun as our youth and children raise money for summer camps. We have a great show, silent auction, dessert auction, and meal planned for this evening. You do not want to miss out on the fun!

Please contact Melanie Yates (662-312-5161) with your silent auction items and Robin Wright (662-803-2504) with your cakes!!! We are looking forward to an amazing night.

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Starting March 15 at 5:00 p.m. we will have discipleship groups. If you are interested in being a part of a group let Newlie know, or just show up the first evening in the CLC! We will explain the process, meet for the first time, and start our Bible reading assignments.

YOUTH: MORNING GLORY

Next Tuesday, March 17, all youth are invited to Friendship Hall for Morning Glory at 7 a.m. After breakfast and a devotion, rides will be available to school.

BACKPACKS OF HOPE

Whitehall will pack the bags for Backpacks of Hope Tuesday morning, March 17. We are collecting pastas cups and Pop Tarts. A box for your donation is in Friendship Hall.

SENIOR ADULT MOVIE NIGHT

Senior Adult Ministries invites all senior adults to come to Northgate Cinema on Thursday, March 19, to see the Christina movie *I Still Believe*. Join us at 6:45 p.m. in time to get a snack. It will be Dutch treat.

WORSHIP WITH US!

If you know someone who loves **Contemporary** music, invite them to join Bro. Newlie on Sundays at 8:45 a.m. in the CLC!

The regular **Early Morning** service meets in Friendship Hall at 8:45 a.m. with Bro. Mike. And we have the 11 o'clock **Traditional Service** in the sanctuary.

Discipleship Groups are starting this Sunday at 5 p.m. (see article in this newsletter)

Evening Bible Study on Luke continues at 6 p.m. in the Parlor.

Come join us for worship at any of these services. If you are blessed, **invite someone to come with you!!!**

Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step. —Martin Luther King, Jr.